



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT DOUGLAS J. LIERZ

Chief Master Sergeant Douglas J. Lierz is the sixth Command Chief Master Sergeant of the 155th Air Refueling Wing, Lincoln, NE. He represents the highest level of enlisted leadership and is the principle advisor to the wing commander and staff. Chief Lierz is responsible for matters influencing the health, morale, welfare and professional development of all enlisted personnel assigned to the wing.

Chief Lierz entered the Air Force in April, 1984. He graduated from the avionics sensor systems specialist course at Lowry AFB, CO. While assigned to the 155th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, he maintained infra-red and optical camera systems on the RF-4C aircraft. In 1992 and 1993, he was temporarily assigned to Torrejon Air Base, Madrid, Spain and Choo Won Air Base, Cheongju, South Korea, where he instructed Spanish and South Korean Air Force members on the RF-4C Navigational Weapons Delivery System. When the 155th converted to KC-135R aircraft in 1994, he was transferred to Operations as a flight scheduler.



In 1996, Chief Lierz cross-trained to the Base Operations/Airfield Management career field as an Active Guard Reserve. He was appointed as the Air Operations Superintendent and moved to the Chief Enlisted Manager position in May of 2003. He served as the resource advisor to the Commander and managed operating funds as well as pay and allowances for the Operations Group. He has deployed in support of operations DECISIVE ENDEAVOR, NORTHERN WATCH, DENY FLIGHT, JOINT FORGE, NOBLE EAGLE, ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM. During these operations, Chief Lierz supported flying operations for the KC-135R Tanker in numerous capacities. In 2007, he deployed to Iraq as the Airfield Manager of Baghdad International Airport.

Chief Lierz competed on the Nebraska National Guard Marksmanship Team and for the United States All Guard Marksmanship Team from 1989 to 2014.

EDUCATION:

- 1986 NCO Preparatory Course - Correspondence
- 1986 Associates of Applied Science, Electronics Technology - Southeast Community College, NE
- 1996 NCO Academy - Knoxville ANGB, TN
- 1997 Associates Degree in Avionic Systems Technology - CCAF
- 2000 Senior NCO Academy - Correspondence
- 2006 Chief Master Sergeant Leadership Course - Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2008 Diversity Champion's Course - Lincoln, NE
- 2010 Bachelor of Science, Business Management - Peru State College, NE
- 2011 National Guard Bureau Chief's Executive Course - Washington DC
- 2011 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education - Correspondence
- 2012 Master of Science, Organizational Management - Peru State College, NE
- 2012 Acquisition Ethics Course - Army Correspondence
- 2013 National Guard Bureau Fiscal Law Course - Lincoln, NE
- 2013 Contemporary Base Issues Course - Minneapolis, MN
- 2015 Command Chief Orientation Course - Lackland AFB, TX

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. April 1984 - January 1993, RF-4C Avionic Sensor Mechanic, 155th TRG, Lincoln, NE
2. January 1993 - January 1994, IT Specialist, Communications Maintenance
3. January 1994 - June 1996, Flight Scheduler, 155th ARW, Lincoln, NE
4. June 1996 - May 2003, Base Operations Technician, 155th ARW, Lincoln, NE
5. May 2003 - June 2015, Airfield Manager / Operations Superintendent, 155th ARW, Lincoln, NE
6. June 2015 - Present, Command Chief, 155 ARW, Lincoln, NE

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Meritorious Service Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal with one bronze oak leaf cluster
Air Force Achievement Medal with four bronze oak leaf clusters
Meritorious Unit Award
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with one silver and four bronze oak leaf clusters
Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal with one silver and four bronze oak leaf clusters
National Defense Service Medal with one bronze star
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
Iraq Campaign Medal with one bronze star
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Armed Forces Service Medal
Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal
Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal
Air Force Overseas Short Tour
Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border and two bronze oak leaf clusters
Air Force Longevity Service with one silver and two bronze oak leaf clusters
Armed Forces Reserve Medal with gold hourglass and 4 'M' devices
USAF NCO PME Graduate Ribbon with one oak leaf cluster
Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon with one bronze star
Air Force Training Ribbon

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Nebraska Air National Guard Chief's Council
Air Force Association
Air Force Sergeants Association
Enlisted Association of the National Guard, Life Member
Alpha Chi National College Honor Society , Life Member

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1996 Distinguished Graduate, NCO Academy
1999 National Guard Bureau Chief's 50 Marksmanship Medal
2000 US Air Force Distinguished Rifleman Badge No. 281
2001 German Federal Armed Forces Schutzenschnur Gold
2002 British Army Queen's Medal for Marksmanship
2006 Distinguished Graduate, Chief Master Sergeant Leadership Course

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant—July 2004
Senior Master Sergeant—January 2002
Master Sergeant—June 1996
Technical Sergeant—February 1994
Staff Sergeant—April 1989

(Current as of July 2015)